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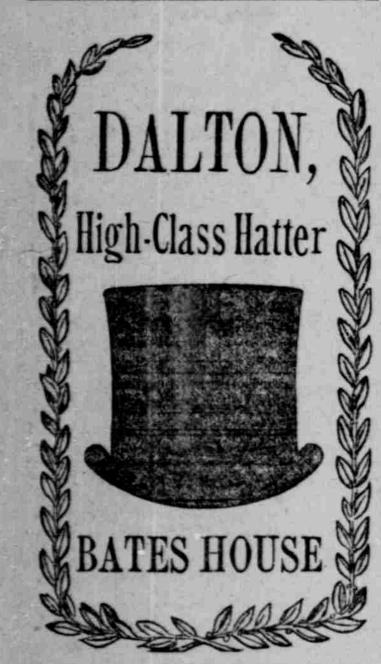
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MONUMENT COMMISSIONERS.

Slight Cut in the Grade-Delay in Getting the Crowning Figure.

The monument commissioners, at their called meeting yesterday, decided to add one step to the stone stair on the north side and two steps to the south side, and to cut the grade down to conform to this change. This lowers the grade of the Circle five inches on the south side and ten inches on the north side. The work was ordered to begin at once.

A communication was received from the company which cast the crowning figure relative to certain changes in the position of the sword in the woman's hand. As set up the sword does not strike the globe on which she stands in the right place by three feet. This can, it is said, be easily rectified, and the artist, Mr. Brewster, has Mr. Mahoney, the Indianapolis sculptor, at Chicago, looking after the work. The change has caused an unlooked for delay.

Doesn't Touch Backus, Deputy Auditor of State Fanning yesterday prepared a letter to county treasurers. calling their attention to the fact that under the new fee and salary law those who are operating under its provisions have no right to make any charge of fee for collecting current or delinquent taxes. This applies only to treasurers who were elected after the provisions of the fee and salary law went into effect in its applica-

tion to treasurers. Treasurer Backus, hav-ing been elected before this time, is not subject to this law and will add the penalty

fee for collections just the same NEW side-boardest Wm. L. Elder's. AUTHORITIES ON THE OUTS

Garbarge Scheme Delayed by a Rupture Between the Council and B. P. W.

Ryan's Effort to Force the Expenditure of \$25,000 to Hold Democratic Voters in Line-Other Municipal Affairs.

Councilman P. J. Ryan called on the Board of Public Works, yesterday morning. and said that as they were going to ask the Council to appropriate a sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of securing a garbage plant for the city, that he would like to have the board also ask the Council, in writing, to transfer the sum of \$25,000 from the streetimprovement fund to the street-repair fund, as he understood that that was about the amount that the board would require. Mr. Conduitt broke in on him saying that the city did not propose to spend any \$25,000 for street repairs.

"Well," said Mr. Ryan, "the Council thought that that would be about the proper amount. We want the streets that are not being improved fixed up with gravel and broken stone a little, and it will take that amount."

"Oh, we are the judge of how much the city should spend, and not the Council," rather curtiy broke in Mr. Defrees.

"I know you are," replied Mr. Ryan, with some fervor and lapsing into an Irish brogue in his excitement, "but the Council is the judge of whether you get the money to do it with or not. I am not here to die tate to the board, but if you want money wanted you to say so now, so that this appropriation business could all go through at once. Shall I report to the Council that you don't want any money!"
"No. you needn't do that," said Mr. Scher-

rer. "but you should not have come to us at so late an hour to broach the subject." "I told the Mayor about it two weeks ago, and it is not my fault if the board has not been notified," was the councilman's reply, and he left the room without receivgone Mr. Conduitt turned to Mr. Defrees and said that he ought not to have been so rough on the visitor. Mr. Defrees replied that he did not see as it was any business of Kyan's what the board wanted for street repairs, and that he would be in favor of telling him to clear out.

In one of the afternoon papers, Mr. Defrees was quoted as saying that the Coun-cil might "go to h-l," instead of "to clear out." This inflamed some of the members last night, so that when the finance com-mittee, through Mr. Rassmann, moved to suspend the rules in order that the ordinance, transferring \$5,000 of the money in the treasury to the credit of the streets and alleys improvement fund to the gar-bage fund, might be passed at once, Mr. Costello interposed an objection. Mr. Rassmann took the floor and argued that while he felt very much like the objecting member in regard to the remark of Mr. Detrees, the Council ought to remember that the garbage ordinance is the city's business, and that personal feelings should not be allowed to stand in the way. Members should not allow spites to take the place of duty to the city. He urged that the objection be withdrawn. It was casting pearls before swine, however, for Mr. Costello was apparently incapable of heeding the very sensible admonition, and persisted in his objection. He urged the evidently disingenuous plea that the board never shows any consideration for the Council, in regard to extending time, and why should the board, entertaining such contemptuous regard for the Council, be shown any favors? The ordinance was thus forced to take its course, while in the

delay hot weather is approaching and Behind Ryan's effort to force the board to spend \$ 5,000 extra on street repairs is the same old political scheme that comes up every campaign to keep two or three hundred Democratic blood-suckers in bread and meat and beer money for a month or two before election. Two years ago the Mayor countenanced this scheme because he was the party candidate for re-election.

Last fail the Democratic politicians tried to have it done again, but did not succeed.

This year the Mayor wants to see whether or not he is renominated before he falls in

with the scheme.

Kelly Off the Force. Patrolman Patrick Kelly handed his resignation to the Board of Safety, yesterday, and it was accepted without any controversy. Kelly has been found drinking several times while on duty, and repeated warnings have not had the effect of making him stop. The board was to have acted on his case at the meeting .. Christian G. Knauss was appointed in his place. Knauss is a German, and is said to be a model man physically, standing over six feet in height, and to be a grant in strength. He is a Democrat, as was his predecessor. Superintendent Colbert made a report on the case of patrolman Timothy Crannon, who was accused of violently ejecting Michael Powers from a saloon, supposing him to be a

minor. Crannon was exonerated from

blame, as he was acting under orders of

the superintendent in keeping such pia clear of boys. Pond to Be Drained,

The Board of Public Works ordered the city engineer to at once fix the drainage of Alabama street at Seventh so that the pool of water there would be run off. The complaint came to the board through the Board of Health saying that the pool extended nearly the entire length of the square south of Seventh street, and that there were already five cases of diphtheria fronting on it, and one death. The trouble is occasioned by the grade of Seventh street, where there is an asphalt pavement, being several inches above that of Alabama of the asphalt and place a wooden culvert through it until the sewer now in process Whole Family Ill in a House on Park Avenue of construction on Alabama street shall have been finished.

Merchant Police and Safety Board. Yesterday Captain Thomas, of the Merchant police force, sent in to the Board of Safety the names of John Elliott, Nelson Daubenspeck and Thomas Kingsberry as the persons to comprise the committee on investigation and arbitration. It was received and filed by the board. This committee is identical in its powers and duties with the one appointed by the Board of Safety at the time it endeavored to gain control of the Merchant police force and make it a partisan body and did not succeed. As it stands now there are two committees, and it is a question as to what the board will do when a question arises that will need a decision from this two-headed

Granted Police Powers.

Police powers were granted to the following men by the Board of Public Safety: Patrick Kelly, for the Sisters of the Good Shepherd and the Hebrew cemetery; S. B. Campbell, for the Indianapolis brush works, Charles E. Faussett, for the Indianapolis Incandescent Light and Power Company: William H. McCool, for the Indiana Bicycle Company, and Andrew Beck, for the T. H. & I. freight depot and yards. house is located, and had gone up to see The claim of Oscar Adams for \$5.50, for about it. He found, upon his arrival, that damage caused to his buggy by a collision another physician was in attendance, and with the patrol wagon, was granted, and the clerk was instructed to see that he was

Must Repair the Streets. The Indianapolis Water Company was instructed to properly repair the roadway of Arsenal avenue south from Washington street. The present condition of the road is caused by the laying of the company's pipes. The Consumers' Gas Trust Company was included in the instructions.

Will Make the Street Wider. The board rescinded its order given to the city engineer March 31 to prepare papers for the grading and gravelling of the roadway and the laying of brick walks on Ex-

sire the street to be improved to a greater width than thirty feet, which was ordered, and are willing to donate sufficient ground for that purpose. The board will wait for the receipt of these donations before fur-ther action is taken.

Board of Safety's Routine. The Board of Public Safety held a meeting yesterday morning at which nothing but routine business was transacted. On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan the board adopted a resolution allowing patrolmen Leonard Crane and Adolph Asch to accept the reward of \$40 each which was granted to them by the federal authorities for services rendered in capturing the counterfeiter John Walker. A copy of the resolutions was sent to each of the men. Crane and Asch are two of the best men on the force. The latter was formerly in the detective department, and while there was John T. Carr handed his resignation to the board to occur at once. He is a member of the fire force and leaves it to go into the grocery business. Matthew Rogers was

appointed in his place. Both men are Dem-Batley Let It Stide. Another of ex-City Attorney Bailey's little failures to connect with some work asked of him when doing the city's legal work came to light yesterday when Attorney H. J. Milligan appeared before the Board of Public Works in reference to securing the improvement of Pendleton avenue. There has been a controversy between the city and the Big Four railroad as to the ownership of the ground, and Mr. Milligan said that Mr. Bailey had been asked to render an opinion on it, and had not done so. The board, at his request, will ask an opinion of City Attorney Jones.

Right of Way for a Sewer. The Board of Works yesterday adopted condemnatory proceedings for the right of way for the main intercepting sewer, from the corner of Merrill street and Kentucky avenue, to White river. The ground condemned will be a strip twenty feet in width, and will run through property owned by the following persons: Bauer & Gepper, A. L. Montfort, Louisa Wright, Emrich & Pauline and Balweg & Blizzard.

Were Too Late. Commissioners Hawkins and Sullivan, of the Board of Public Safety, called on the Board of Public Works yesterday to request that a couple of electric lights be placed on Market street in front of the markethouse. They were told that the board had already placed all of the lights that its contract called for, and that nothing could be done unless the market people were willing to pay for them.

Mad Made the Rounds, W. A. Van Buren called on the board yesterday morning to ask for the flushing of a sewer on Alabama street, near his residence. He came to the board as a last resort, saying that he had been to the fire chief, the city clerk, the city engineer, the Board of Safety, and that he wanted to know if "this board would do anything for him." The board said that it would in-

vestigate the matter. North Illinois Street. C. A. Bookwalter was again before the board in the matter of the improvement of North Illinois street, from Fall creek to Twenty-sixth street. His request was that the roadway be graded and graveled and the walks cemeuted. It was granted, with the xception of the laying of the walks from the creek to Twentieth street, where a deep fill will have to be made in the near

Selling Old Lamp Posts. The board received an order from the town board of Sheridan, Ind., for seventyfive lamp posts and lamps at \$6.50 each, the price made it by the local board. They will be sent although the board found that. nearly all of its lamps have no glass in, and are in a demoralized condition.

Gravel Streets. The board granted petitions for the grading and graveling of the roadways and the laying of walks of the following streets: Hanna street, from Michigan to Campbell

Beil street, from Michigan to Campbell street. Campbell street, from Archer to Hanna

Sewer in Elm Street. A petition of property owners for a brick sewer in Elm street, from Noble to Dillon street, was granted, and the city engineer was instructed to prepare the necessary

Municipal Notes. A petition for the renumbering of Alabama street, from Tenth to Fourteenth

street, was granted. A petition for the extension of water mains on Orange avenue, from State to Quince street, was filed with other petitions of a similar nature.

A complaint was received from Conrad Bell that the asphalt on Ohio street at the east end is bursting in every direction. It was referred to the city engineer. Salisbury & Stanley presented a request to the board asking it to rent to them the vacant lot between Noble, Liberty. New York and Vermont streets for the purpose

of a lumber yard. There was no action The board addressed a communication to the Board of Public Safety asking it to de-tail a patrolman for duty at Garfield Park Sunday afternoons during the summer season. The present park custodian is unable

to handle the crowds that gather. A complaint from Julius Metzker about the condition of Mismi street, between Preston and Highland streets, caused the board to instruct the city engineer to in-vestigate its condition and to prepare papers for its grading and graveling if

DISEASE CAUSED BY FILTH.

-Symptoms Resemble Cholera.

A week ago Dr. Combs was called to No. 21 Park avenue, and found a destitute family named Goodwin, sick from organic poisoning. The house was in a terribly filthy condition, with a cellar containing foul effluvia and decaying substances. First a baby took sick, then a ten-year-old girl. then a sister, and then an old man. As the doctor had to go out of town the next day the cases were turned over to the dispensary. Mrs. Coleman, who lives at No. 364 North Alabama street, visited the family with food and clothing, and in turn was taken sick. Dr. Combs returned from her home last night, and said that while she was very sick she was not dangerously ill. The Doctor said that while the symptoms were something like those of cholera. they were far less violent, and that the rumor that it was cholers was absolutely President Morrison, of the Board of Health, was asked last night if he had re-

in regard to the case. He said that he had not, nor had he any private information about it. He was inclined to laugh at the idea of its being cholers. Dr. Ferguson, of the City Dispensary, said that he had noticed the very had san-itary condition of the yard on which the had left without making an investigation.

ceived any notification or communication

He was of the same opinion as Dr. Morrison, and said that he understood the family to be suffering from malarial poisoning. A. P. A.'s Uniformed Order,

The local Protestant Knights of America had a representative at the Grand Hotel here yesterday from a Cincinnati firm with whom they are negotiating for uniforms. They are the uniformed rank of the American Protestant Association, which claims to have a membership of six thousand in this city, composed of all political parties. The first council organized here initiated seventy-eight new members on Sunday last. The uniformed rank expects to have their uniforms in readiness for the next

"MIND YER OWN BUSINESS"

Dreadful Snub Given One of the Patriotic Ladies of the Sanitary Society.

She Made No More Inspections-The Charges Against Dr. Rudy-Moffit Succeeds Ferguson-Health Board's Meeting.

The called meeting of the Board of Health, last night, was attended by all of the members of the board, President Morrison presiding. There were also present Mrs. James Ryan and Mrs. John A. Holman, of the Woman's Sanitary Association, in pursuance of the request sent by the board to the association, asking a conference with some member of it. Mrs. Holman acted as spokeswoman and outlined to the board what the idea of the association was in regard to keeping the city in a sanitary condition. She said that a lady had been appointed to act as a chairman in each ward, under her to be several ladies who will act as a board of visitors, and make inspections of premises in a territory allotted to them. In case one of the visitors should find a nuisance existing at any place she is to communicate with her chairman, the chairman to the secretary of the association, and she to the Board of Health, calling its atten-tion to it. Mrs. Holman was asked whether the members intended to make a house-to-house inspection, and she replied that such was not the intention; saying that the not desire to association antagonize any one, rather hoping to win them over to cleanliness by gentle means. She said that one of the members had tried to inspect a house and had been compelled to beat an inglorious retreat at being told to mind ber own business, coupled with the assertion that the person addressing could attend to hers. After some conversation the ladies were

instructed to prepare a form of blank for sending in their reports, and the board will furnish them for the association. The resignation of Dr. C. E. Ferguson as superintendent of the City Diepeny was received and accepted. This, in effect, was an acceptance of the position to which he has recently been elected, that of superintend-

ent of the City Hospital, and was so regarded by the board. The next question taken up by the board was of the suspension of Dr. F. T. Rudy from the City Dispensary. The board was in receipt of the Doctor's resignation, but he was not present to answer the charges against him. The question that then arose with the board was whether or not he should be given an honorable discharge. Dr. Fergugon being present, he was asked to detail in just what manner Dr. Rudy had disobeyed the institution's rules. He said, in brief, that Dr. Rudy had maintained a private office, which was against one of the strictest rules of the dispensary; that when asked to close it he had refused to do so; that his conduct at the dispensary has been of a churlish and insulting nature; that he had neglected his work to do private work, and that he had converted the drugs at the dispensary to his own private use. After a careful consideration of the case, the board decided to accept the resignation, but will not issue a diploma, as is customery. Dr. Rudy has been acting as an interne for the City Dis-

pensary for the North Side. The board then took action on the vacancy at the dispensary by the resigna-tion of Dr. Ferguson. The unanimous choice of the board was Dr. E. D. Moffit and he was elected to till the unexpired from last January. Dr. Moffit is at present a practicing physician in the city, and is a graduate of the Central College of Physicians. His appointment was made at the earnest suggestion of Dr. Maxwell, who said that he believed that a man should be taken from that college as the Indiana had gotten nearly all of the other positions of consequence.

Health Officer Burns was then called before the board to answer the charges for which he has been suspended. He was reinstated by the board on the condition that he is to tender his resignation if, at any time, he violates a promise made to the board that he will let all intoxicating liquors alone.

DISCUSSING THE FRANCHISE.

Another Public Meeting Favors Municipal Ownership of the Plant.

The mass meeting held last night in the Criminal Court room, under the auspices of the Central Labor Union, failed of its purpose, and was not in any sense representative of that body. There were, by actual count, seventy-six persons present and of these not more than a dozen were from the Central Labor Union. The meeting was called to order by D. F. Kennedy, who presided and briefly stated the object of the gathering to be the consideration of resolutions drafted by a committee of the Central Labor Union and adopted by that body. The resolutions favored a reduction in fares to eight tickets for 25 cents and a 24-cents fare for school children between the ages of six and fourteen years, the maintenance of the present transfer sys-tem and its enlargement, and opposed the granting of a franchise for a longer period

than twenty years. The franchise question was discussed in all its phases, but before the discussion had progressed very far it became evident that the meeting had been captured by the same crowd that held forth in the room Friday night, and whose only thought was to agitate municipal ownership, sidetracking for their cherished idea all other considerations. Professor Vincent read from the same table of figures which he had produced at the meeting Friday night, and argued for city ownership exclusively. Ex-Representative Deery was called upon to speak, and did so briefly, saying that he was opposed to the granting of any fran-chise for a period of thirty years. Councilman White came in late from the

Council meeting and was called upon to express his views. He said that the proposed franchise was in some respects a model document, while in others he thought it had not followed the line of needed reforms. He was unalterably opposed to the thirty-years grant, because of the probable advancement to be made in that length of time, and did not believe it right to saddle a franchise upon the people for so long a period. He was opposed to municipal ownership, because he thought it would open the door to widespread corruption and fraud. For the same reason he said he did not favor the percent. clause. He said that this would, in his opinion, lead to dishonesty and misrepresentations on the part of the company's officials, if not He took occasion explain his views on the street-paving clause, saying that he had been misquoted on that point. He did not favor the streetpaving clause, not because he thought it was an unjust burden upon the company, but that it was unfair to the people and would be more advantageous to have the money that would be thus required of them go into a sinking fund for the purchase of the plant. On this phase of the question he favored city ownership, but not operation by the city, preferring the lease system at a rental of a certain sum per mile.

At the conclusion of the discussion Prof. Vincent offered a substitute for the resolu-tions proposed by the Central Labor Union, which was adopted. The resolution was as Resolved. That we demand the Board of Pubhe Works to withdraw the franchise and proceed at once to take steps looking to the acquirement of the street car property by purchase.

Small Fires. Joseph Winkler, a second-hand dealer at No. 135 Massachusetts avenue, suffered a \$500 loss by fire yesterday morning. The origin of the flames is unknown. There was no insurance on his goods. The fire department was called to No. 155 State street last night by a slight blaze on the premises of Fred Prange. Loss estimated

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Commercial Club Restaurant.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the for consultation, information of literature bearing on the sublest.

afternoon, directors for the following year were elected as follows: Merrick E. Vinton, M. B. Wilson, Albert Lieber, Horace T. Bennett, William Fortune, J. K. Lilly, Bement Lyman, Nathan Morris, W. G. Berterman and Charles E. Cotfin. The directors will meet on Saturday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, to elect officers and take steps towards putting the enterprise in working order without delay.

DEADLY PEANUT ROASTER

One of Them Lets Go on Crowded Illinois Street and Causes a Panic.

Thrown Through a Plate-Glass Window by the Explosion-8. J. Frazee's Face Mangled and Others Injured.

About 3:30 o'clock, yesterday afternoon, terrific explosion, followed by a shock, startled the business portion of the city, and, in an instant, a thousand people rushed down Illinois street, whence the sound emanated. Many people supposed that an earthquake had come and others felt sure that a natural-gas horror had occurred. Luckily neither disaster had happened, and when people learned the true source of the noise there was a great wave of relief, notwithstanding the fact that those who witnessed the accident received a fright from which they did not soon re-

The cause of the frightful noise was the explosion of a steam peanut roaster standing in front of the tobacco establishment of S. J. Frazee & Co., at No. 67 South Illinois street. The engine was of the Creater & Co., Chicago, make and was of one horse power. It was owned and operated by razee, and until yesterday has behaved admirably. The machine was running at its capacity of steam and without the attention of an engineer when its boilers burst, scattering peanuts to the four winds and throwing particles of iron in various directions. Mr. Frazee was standing inside his store when the heavy plate glass of the front window crashed into a thousand pieces, the machine pitching through it and falling in the store. He was thrown backward to the floor, his face literally flayed with flying splinters of glass. D. J. Sullivan was standing a few feet away in the door of his dry-goods store, and was narrowly missed by a heavy bar of iron, which struck a gaudily attired

dummy standing near him, badly maiming the figure. Mr. Sullivan's business partner, Mr. Foran, was ten feet inside the store, and was thrown down by the shock, but not injured. Mr. Schofield, of the Arcade, was also knocked down by the concussion. . W. Caldwell, a commercial traveler from Chicago, was standing in the store at the time making a purchase and was severely cut about the face by the flying glass. Ed McGraw and Otto Schmuck were passing by and were more or less cut about the face and hands by the shower of glass and the force of the concussion threw McGraw clear into a store next door. A woman, whose name could not be

learned, was in the act of trying on a cloak in the Sullivan store, and had just inserted one arm in the sleeve of the garment when she heard the explosion. She did not stop to lay aside the cloak, but fled, taking it slong. She returned later, and made the purchase. The whistle was blown off the engine and across the street, through the window of the New York steam laundry. Its force was terrific, but, fortunately, no one was in the laundry office at the time. The awning above Frazee's store was riddled with ascending scraps of iron, and considerable damage was reported from the fronts of other business rooms in the vicinity. A number of people, among them several women, received slight hurts from the particles of glass that filled the air, but Mr. Frazee's injuries were the most serious. He was taken to Dr. Manker's office, where a painful scalp wound was found, in addition to his lacerated face.

Liberty Bell's Itinerary. Secretary Smith, of the Board of Trade, vesterday received a communication from Mayor Stewart, of Philadelphia, stating that his letter asking if the Liberty bell could be taken from the car and escorted to the Statehouse, had been referred to the committee in charge. A letter to Mr. Smith from the committee informed him that the bell will leave Philadelphia on April 25, and will reach this city at 6 o'clock on Friday, April 28. A printed itinerary was promised. Nothing was said about the subject referred to the committee. The Board of Trade committee on arrangements will meet to-morrow morning to prepare a programme as far as it is then possible to do. Ex-President Harrison will be asked to be the orator of the occasion.

Trust Company's Office.

The Indiana Trust Company has rented the room at No. 23 South Meridian street. the one formerly occupied by the Capitol National Bank, and will refurnish and move into it. The company expects to be ready for business about the 1st of May. Its affairs are prospering in an unprece-dented manner, the subscriptions to date being \$872,000, and its promoters expect to reach the million mark soon.

Christian Church Meeting. Rev. J. A. Carriston, editor of the Christian Evangelist, conducted the meeting at the new Christian Church at Irvington last night, speaking from Philippians, iti. 13. His remarks were listened to by a large andience. Rev. Mr. Lucas, of the Central Christian Church, was also present, and addressed the congregation briefly.

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